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The *Principles of Professional Ethics for the Intelligence Community* serve public-facing and internally-focused purposes. They reflect the core values common to all elements of the Intelligence Community and distinguish the officers and employees of the IC as “intelligence professionals.”

The principles—Mission, Truth, Lawfulness, Integrity, Stewardship, Excellence and Diversity—reflect the standard of ethical conduct expected of all Intelligence Community personnel, regardless of individual role or agency affiliation. The Director of National Intelligence formally issued the Principles of Professional Ethics for the Intelligence Community in 2014.

The heads of Departments and Agencies to which these Principles apply eagerly concurred in the establishment and issuance of this professional code. The principles serve as a reminder of the tremendous responsibility to which IC members are committed and the high standard of professional and personal conduct to which they must adhere.

The 2014 National Intelligence Strategy recognizes and reinforces the Principles as fundamental to the IC’s Mission and Vision, including the foundational Mission and Enterprise Objectives on which the strategy is built.

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